

May 6, 2015
TRC Solutions Project No. 182978

Mr. Gary Moore
U.S. EPA Region 6
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Dallas, TX 75202-2733

**Re: Weekly Progress Report
Falcon Refinery Superfund Site
Ingleside, San Patricio County, Texas
TXD 086 278 058**

Dear Mr. Moore:

On behalf of the National Oil Recovery Corporation (NORCO), TRC Solutions (TRC) submits this Weekly Progress Report on the Removal Action Activities at the Falcon Refinery Federal Superfund Site to the United States Environmental Protection Agency for your review.

If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at (512) 699-9931.

Sincerely,
TRC

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Attachment: Weekly Progress Report
cc: National Oil Recovery Corporation

WEEKLY PROGRESS REPORT - Falcon Refinery Federal Superfund Site, Ingleside, TX;

1. TASKS NECESSARY TO COMPLETE THE REMOVAL ACTIONS (NOVEMBER 7, 2011 TO COMPLETION OF PROJECT)

- Tank 21 – This tank base contains K-169 from Tanks 17, 18, 21, 23, 24, 10 and 27. This waste must be transported and disposed of at U.S. Ecology facility in Robstown, TX.
- Tank 7 – This tank requires the removal of liquids, tank bottoms and demolition.
- Tank N1 – This tank requires the removal of liquids, tank bottoms and demolition.
- Tank N2– This tank requires the removal of liquids, tank bottoms and demolition.
- Butane Tank - This tank requires the removal of tank bottoms and demolition.
- Tank 30 – This tank requires the removal of liquids, tank bottoms and demolition.
- Tank 12 - This tank requires the removal of liquids, tank bottoms and demolition.
- Facility Pipes – The pipes that contain material will be carefully handled to allow for the removal of the contents within them.

2. THE SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES TO COMPLETION DATE (DEC 31, 2011)

- Tank N1 – Removal of liquid, bottoms and demolition: Week 1
- Tank N2 – Removal of liquid, bottoms and demolition: Week 1
- Tank 7 – Removal of liquid, bottoms and demolition: Week 1 & 2
- Tank 21 – Transportation / disposal of K-169 waste in base: Week 1 & 2
- Butane Tank - Removal of bottoms and demolition: Week 2
- Tank 12 – Removal of liquid, bottoms, roof and demolition: Week 3, 4, 5 & 6
- Tank 30 – Removal of liquid, bottoms, roof and demolition: Week 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6
- Facility Pipes – The waste in facility piping will be removed as the tanks they feed are demolished.

3. PROJECT ACTIVITIES COMPLETED THIS REPORTING PERIOD (NOV 14 - 18, 2011)

- Demolition of Tanks 27 - On November 15, 2011 NORCO authorized the demolition of Tanks 27 and Tank 10. Tank 27 is currently being demolished and is scheduled for completion on November 23, 2011.
- Waste in Facility Piping - The amount of waste currently in facility piping was assessed. The feeder pipes to Tanks 30, 26, 27, 10, 12, and 7 were checked for contents. The estimate of material in the pipes is approximately 190 bbl.

4. ACTIVITIES PLANNED FOR NEXT WEEK (NOVEMBER 21 – 25, 2011)

- Tank 10 Demolition – The demolition of Tank 10 will commence after the Thanksgiving holiday.
- Tank N1 - A cost proposal to complete the removal of water, sludge and demolition of this tank has been received from the contractor. This tank is scheduled for removal / demolition and recycling on the week of November 21 - 23, 2011.
- Tank N2 - A cost proposal to complete the removal of water, sludge and demolition of this tank has been received from the contractor. This tank is scheduled for removal / demolition and recycling on the week of November 21 - 23, 2011.
- Tank 7 - A cost proposal to complete the removal of water, sludge and demolition of this tank has been received from the contractor. We anticipate removing water from this tank on November 21 - 23, 2011.
- Tank 21 - A cost proposal to transport and dispose of the K-169 hazardous waste in this tank base has been submitted and approved. An approved delivery schedule must be received from U.S. Ecology before waste can be transported from the Falcon site.
- A cost proposal for the removal of the main refinery equipment has been requested.

5. ISSUES ENCOUNTERED

- Treatment of Water – The TCEQ has requested additional information prior to approving the discharge permit for the water in Tank 26. All required information has been given to the TCEQ. Prior to sending the additional information the TCEQ gave verbal approval to the discharge pending the additional information.
- Butane Tank – There is a minor amount <50 gallons of material in this tank, which was sampled for its contents on Nov. 7, 2011. We plan to evaluate the waste characteristics of the material, profile the waste, remove the sludge, and demolish / recycle the vessel.